

If "Big 4" Should Strike.
The 5-Cent Cigar, Wel-
come.
Gov. Edwards' Insurance.
Bargain Bonds.

By ARTHUR BRISBANE

If the "Big Four" decided to strike, every railroad would close down, with no "ifs" or "buts." The President has told you men can't be compelled to work.

Here and there "Big Four" organizations have quit. Mr. Stone, head of the engineers, objects to his men working under supervision of soldiers with loaded rifles, when the men are not even on strike. "We won't have our men shot up," says he.

Men owning railroads that have never done a day's real work in their lives find it difficult to understand this attitude. It can be made clear to them.

Suppose the owners, as they sit directing railroads in their Wall Street offices, found themselves working under the supervision of union labor leaders with loaded "automatics" in their hands. Suppose here and there a shot were fired and an "owner" dropped dead in his nicely furnished office.

How would the owners like it? Wouldn't they say, "Call my limousine; I am going home to stay until these armed men leave my desk?"

The 5-cent cigar has returned after wartime retirement. Ruskin said, "When a young man has a cigar in his mouth he thinks he is doing something."

Many men probably feel that they practice saintly economy when they buy 5-cent cigars.

The late George M. Pullman told this writer that when he determined to get money to build his first sleeping car, he first of all gave up "the extravagance of smoking 5-cent cigars."

Times change.

The State of New Jersey, with Mr. Edwards as governor, runs a publicly owned insurance enterprise. Employers pay the insurance. Injured workers get the benefits.

Now Governor Edwards announces a cut of 20 per cent in the State's change for liability insurance, and predicts an increase next winter of the benefits paid to men injured at their work.

That's a sample of "evils of public ownership," of which you hear occasionally. How does it impress you?

Rumania will sell in the United States bonds "offered at 67." You pay \$670 and get a \$1,000 bond. Rumania is a fine country, abounding in wealth. Her people are honorable and industrious. BUT—

Three hundred and thirty dollars is a big premium for a loan of \$670. Rumania nestles within the grip of Russia. If that monster bear comes back to full strength, Rumania will be grabbed. If that happens, Trotsky probably will say, "I'm not interested in redeeming those cut-rate Rumanian bonds. Please don't ask the United States to send your fellow citizens to be shot in the effort to collect your money."

Our Government did that for the financial fools that bought the Czar's bonds. But probably wouldn't do it again.

With coal mines closed, mules are brought to the surface, many eating grass and seeing the sun for the first time in years. Veterinarians of Hazelton, Pa., deny the old statement that mules kept underground in dark mine tunnels lose their sight. After twenty years in the dark mules can see.

Veterinarians of a different kind ought to examine the two-legged mules that watch the stock tickers, while they run mines and railroads, and see what effect that has on their sight.

Hides will come in free because shoe factories want cheap leather. There are many shoe factories in Senator Lodge's State, and if the farmers got protection on hides Lodge might be beaten. The Senate, to oblige the gentleman, puts hides on the free list. That is the way Congress adjusts, in the interest of politics, the tariff, vitally important to every citizen.

They are talking a great deal about the Constitution at San Francisco's American Bar Association meeting. A committee of the learned gentlemen says: "No man is so poor or obscure that he cannot, in the hour of threatened injury, turn to the Constitution as his protection against the wrongful acts of the rich and socially prominent."

It's a good Constitution, but that statement by the lawyers is pretty unbecome. Every one of them knows that a man poor and obscure can be and is fought for years in the courts, and that to fight for his rights means ruin. That condition of affairs is due to lawyers that prefer profitable law business to quick justice.

Partly cloudy weather and moderate temperature tonight and Saturday. Moderate northeast winds.

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WASHINGTON, FRIDAY EVENING, AUGUST 11, 1922.

MAIN NEWS CALLS THE TIMES

THREE CENTS EVERYWHERE.

SLAIN "M. C. B." BELIEVED NEW YORKER

Rail Unions Now In Conference

M'CORMICK AND WALSKA ARE MARRIED IN PARIS

MILLIONS ARE UNITED WITH ART

Both Once Divorced, Seek Happiness Anew in Much Discussed Pact.

By International News Service.
CHICAGO, Aug. 11.—When Muriel McCormick was asked what she thought of her father's marriage to Madame Ganna Walska, she exclaimed excitedly: "What did you say? My father married to Walska?"

When she was assured that dispatches to that effect had reached here, she ejaculated feelingly: "Oh, Lord!"

By International News Service.
PARIS, Aug. 11.—Harold F. McCormick, multimillionaire manufacturer, of Chicago, and Mme. Ganna Walska, beautiful Polish grand opera singer, were married here this morning.

A civil marriage ceremony was performed by the mayor of the sixteenth arrondissement of the city of Paris. The witnesses were Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Field Malone and Charles F. Bertelli, a newspaper writer.

Both Previously Divorced.
Mr. McCormick is the father of seventeen-year-old Mathilde McCormick, who has just gone from Paris to Switzerland to meet her suitor, Major Max Oser, forty-seven-year-old riding master. McCormick's first wife, Edith Rockefeller McCormick, whom he married on November 26, 1895, secured a divorce from him. She is a daughter of John D. Rockefeller.

Mme. Walska has just been divorced from Alexander Cochran, formerly known as the richest bachelor in the United States. He is the owner of a great carpet-making industry at Yonkers, N. Y., but spends a great deal of his time abroad.

Met In Opera Season.
Mr. McCormick met Mme. Walska when she was with the Chicago Opera Company—an institution of which he was a liberal patron. Even before Mme. Walska got her divorce it was reported that McCormick was in love with her and would marry her if the opportunity offered.

Mr. McCormick underwent an operation several months ago in Chicago. As soon as he recovered he came to Paris. He is said by his friends to have been greatly benefited by the operation.

Dudley Field Malone, attorney for Mme. Walska, announced about ten days ago that his client had received her divorce, but said it had not been made final. This action was expected within a short time, but public notice was not made of the fact.

Mrs. McCormick, first wife of the bridegroom, is still in Chicago. It was reported that she was to remarry and that her choice was her secretary, a citizen of Switzerland. This report was never confirmed.

Mrs. McCormick and her daughters, Mathilde and Muriel, lived for many years in Switzerland.

Harvester King And Opera Singer Are Wedded At Last



TWO FLIERS ARE KILLED

AS PLANE CATCHES FIRE

NAPERVILLE, Ill., Aug. 10.—Two aviators were burned to death when their plane caught fire in mid-air last night. The burning plane fell in the heart of town, hundreds of citizens having gathered to watch the stunts of the fliers.

The aviators were identified as Edward Schillo, head of the Schillo Motor Sales Company, of Chicago, and Leroy Keller, of Naperville.

The airplane caught fire during an attempted nose dive preparatory to a landing in a water hole of a quarry near town.

The bodies, burned beyond recognition, were identified by means of a belt buckle and a watch, which the aviators wore.

FANNY WARD'S DAUGHTER

TO MARRY LORD PLUNKET

LONDON, Aug. 11.—Mrs. Jack Barnato, daughter of Fannie Ward, celebrated American actress, is engaged to marry Lord Plunket, grandson of the Archbishop of Dublin, Marquis Dufferin and Ava.

Mrs. Barnato is the widow of Captain Barnato who was a flying officer. On the day of her christening \$250,000 was settled on her to accumulate until she came of age.

RAILROAD UNIONS IN CONCLAVE

Rejection of Harding's Proposal to End Strike Predicted as Certain.

By GEORGE R. HOLMES.

While President Harding met with his cabinet at the White House today to consider further governmental action in the grave industrial situation, representatives of the sixteen standard railroad unions went into session eight city blocks away to formulate a policy of sympathetic action that will make the railroad strike more effective.

Brotherhood Support.

These developments were in prospect as the two meetings got under way this morning:

(1) The striking railway shopmen will reject the President's proposition of Monday for the men to return to work pending a decision on the contentious seniority question by the Railroad Labor Board.

(2) Other railroad unions, including the four powerful brotherhoods, will agree upon a policy of sympathetic action to support the strikers without authorizing a general railroad strike.

(3) This will be accomplished by authorization of "individual" or "voluntary" strikes by members of "voluntary" unions whenever and wherever in the judgment of the workers their equipment or work conditions are such as to be prejudicial to life and limb.

(4) Union men will be permitted to decide for themselves whether they want to stay on the job—the result of which is expected to be a slow, progressive walkout on the roads by all classes of railroad labor.

(5) Railway labor unions not now on strike will combine in a statement of policy to the Government, urging attention to the gravity of the situation, and intimating that unless relief measures are soon found, nationwide paralysis of transportation is inevitable.

(6) President Harding will await the replies of both union and railway executives, and will go to Congress next week with a special message asking for a legislative grant of broad powers to deal with the situation.

The meeting today of the sixteen standard railroad unions brought together the greatest representation of railroad labor since the days when it massed solidly behind the Adamson eight-hour law and shoved it through Congress.

Session to Be Lengthy.

Union leaders made it plain the meeting was dictated by common necessity in view of their firm belief that looming in the background of the present strike of railway shopmen is a definite campaign on the part of the roads to "smash the unions." Against this effort, they said, the whole strength of organized labor will be thrown.

There was every indication that the session of the union chiefs would be a lengthy one, and it was considered likely that no reply would be made to the White House until tomorrow or Monday.

The reply to the President's proposition to end the strike was predicted as certain.

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STRIKERS HERE WAIT RESULTS OF CONFERENCE

Believe Walkout Hasn't Yet Reached Its Full Intensity. Speculate on Future.

Eyes of striking Washington Terminal shopmen today were turned to the conference of standard brotherhood heads in progress in the Capital.

"We haven't any news. But there's plenty of it up at the Machinists' building," remarked business agents for the workers who walked out July 1. Locally, as throughout the nation, the men are prepared to abide by the decision of the conferees, and their belief is that the strike is neither nearing its end nor attaining its full intensity.

Interesting hazards are being made as to what the attitude of terminal officials will be when the strike is finally over and the shopmen, firemen, oilers and stationary engineers are ordered back to their jobs by union heads. It is recalled that Superintendent Tongue made the flat statement after the strike had been some weeks in progress that "those who walked out won't be allowed to walk back."

If, as seems certain, the fight is ended on a compromise basis, he must either retract his dictum or face a further struggle. It is pointed out that the terminal officials frequently have declared they were "getting along in fine shape," and had all the men they need, besides a surplus of reserves. The strikers maintain they may have their working battalions, but that they are for the very great part inefficient.

Vice President Miller of the Southern railway, in charge of operations, today made the following announcement: "During July, under strike conditions, the Southern Railway System did not annul a single passenger train, but operated 15,233 trains, of which 74 per cent reached final terminals on time, and 84 per cent maintained their schedule while on the Southern's rails."

RECORDS SHOW DISEASES

BRING DEAFNESS IN U. S.

Nearly one-third of all the deaf persons in the United States lost hearing after suffering from some specific disease, the Census Bureau announced today.

Scarlet fever accounted for 10.3 per cent of all deaf persons enumerated in the 1920 census. Meningitis followed with 9.3 per cent, typhoid fever, 2.0 per cent; measles, 3.3 per cent; whooping cough, 2.0 per cent, and infantile paralysis, 0.7 per cent.

ONCE FAMOUS DIVA BLIND IN SWITZERLAND

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—Once the bright-eyed Carmen, whose voice thrilled opera lovers forty years ago, Minnie Hauk, now the Baroness von Haase-Wartegg, is totally blind at her little home in Lucerne, Switzerland. This word was received here by Judge J. Healy.

Only a few months ago the baroness whose sight had been failing for seven years, submitted to an operation in Paris, hoping that her eyes would become normal. After the operation and in the belief that it had been successful, a celebration was held in her home. The celebration over, she discovered that the hope she entertained had been vain.

ATTEMPT MADE TO BOMB DINING CAR AT ALABAMA

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Aug. 11.—Officers today are searching for the persons who last night attempted to dynamite a dining-car in the Frisco yards here.

According to railway officials, the explosive, which was hurled, missed the dining-car by a few feet, struck the top of a box car and demolished it. The diner is used by employees of the railroad, and about one hundred of them were eating a midnight lunch in it.

Several sticks of dynamite were found near the scene, officers state.

CHOLERA ADDING TO SWATOW FLOOD HORROR

SHANGHAI, Aug. 11.—Cholera is adding horror in the wake of the typhoon which destroyed Swatow with a loss of anywhere from 20,000 to 50,000 lives.

United States Consul General Cunningham today received a cable appeal from the United States consul at Swatow for supplies to fight the cholera epidemic which he said was now sweeping the city as a result of the pollution of the water by dead bodies of animals and human beings.

U. S. GIRLS ON BRITISH SHIP CAPTURED BY BOLSHIEVIKI

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 11.—The British steamship George was captured by the bolsheviks at Batum last week. It was reported here yesterday. The passengers were held three days, afterward being transferred to the French steamship Tadia.

Among the passengers were Dr. W. C. Emhardt, an American Episcopal missionary; his daughter and a Miss Water, who accompanied a party of Near East relief workers recently into the Caucasus.

COAST POLICE SPREAD NET FOR RAIL STRIKE BOMBERS

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Aug. 11.—Facing the great crisis of the railroad strike, Federal and local officers today spread a huge dragnet for bombers who early today hurled twenty-three deadly missiles in the Santa Fe yards, terrorizing the district for miles around.

Only one man was hurt, Deputy Marshal Alverson being severely burned.

Curious Flock To The Scene of Murder Gather Around Spot Where "M. C. B." Was Mysteriously Slain.



ELK LODGE TAG FOUND IN SHOES, NEW CLUE

Police Certain Crime Victim Is Named McBride—Was Member of B. P. O. E. No. 1.

WHO IS "M. C. B."?

This is the description of the man found murdered on the Maryland State road near Meadows yesterday. If you can identify him from this description, call the city editor of The Washington Times at once, Main 5280.

More than sixty years old. Five feet, nine inches tall. Weight, 160 pounds. Hair of reddish hue, streaked with gray; closely cropped. Face florid. Skin very white and chest hairless. Two teeth missing and several others decayed. No shoes. New straw hat. Dark brown Palm Beach suit. White shirt with silk stripes. Black four-in-hand tie. Initials "M. C. B." on linen. Sixteen set with five sapphires and eight chip diamonds. Meerchaun pipe in pocket.

BULLETIN.

Inspector Clifford L. Grant, chief of detectives, today was informed that no member of New York Lodge, No. 1, of the Elks bears the name "McBride" or "MacBride." The fraternal official was queried to identify the body of the man found mutilated on the Maryland State road, a mile from Meadows, yesterday.

Belief that the murdered man's name was McBride and that he was a New York Elk was fostered by an inscription on a label in the heel of a shoe removed from the body. The man's linen also bore the initials "M. C. B."

Positive identification of the mutilated body of the slain man found on the Maryland State road, near Meadows, yesterday is expected momentarily by the police as the result of a label in one of the victim's shoes.

The label was discovered today when Sheriff Tom Garrison, of Prince Georges county, brought the man's effects into police headquarters.

The label bore the inscription, "McBride, New York Lodge No. 1, B. P. O. E., 108116 West Forty-third street, New York City."

Inspector Clifford L. Grant, chief of detectives, immediately dispatched an inquiry to New York police authorities.

Initials Coincide.

The name on the label coincides with the initials "M. C. B." found on the man's linen.

It is believed that this discovery is more tangible than a suggestion furnished The Washington Times today by Charles Faulkney, a barber in the Miller shop at 403 Eleventh street northwest.

Faulkney said he shaved a man answering the description of the slain unknown last Tuesday. The patron, Faulkney said, apparently had been drinking and said he had come from Charleston, W. Va.

A theory advanced by detectives today is that the man may have been fortunate in a gambling house on Suitland road, about six miles from where the body was found, and was followed by thugs, who murdered him for his money.

Only four cents was found in the

THE SECRET LOVE AFFAIRS OF LANDRU

The French Bluebeard who won the hearts of more than 280 women and killed scores.

NOW TOLD FOR THE FIRST TIME By WILLIAM LE QUEUX

BEGINNING IN SUNDAY'S WASHINGTON TIMES